

# Giving in ILLINOIS



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# Key Findings

Illinois is home to a vibrant and growing grantmaking community addressing issues ranging from the arts to medical research to the sciences at the local, national, and even international level. Following are key indicators of the scope and giving priorities of the Illinois foundation community in 2011.

**4,217**

Number of Illinois grantmaking foundations

**\$2.6 billion**

Record level of Illinois foundation giving

**Education and Health**

Top funding priorities of Illinois foundations

**Nearly 30%**

Share of Illinois foundation giving providing general operating support

**\$335.5 million**

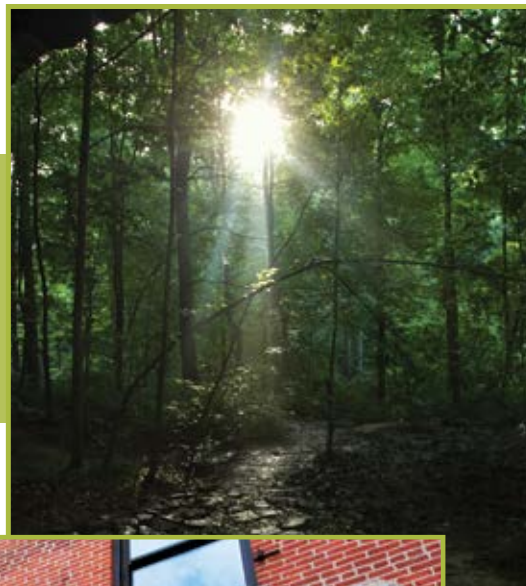
Giving by non-Illinois foundations to Illinois recipients

**\$28.5 billion**

Assets of Illinois foundations

**60%**

Share of Illinois foundation giving accounted for by Cook County grantmakers





# The Illinois Foundation Community

Illinois is home to more than 4,200 grantmaking foundations spanning all sizes, issue areas, and types— independent or family, corporate, community, and operating. The community includes many foundations that only give locally or within the state, as well as those that fund nationally and even internationally. The following analysis provides an overview of the scale and composition of the Illinois foundation community and an examination of how Illinois foundations have fared relative to U.S. foundations in general over the past decade.

## Growth in Illinois foundation giving outpaces U.S. foundations overall

Illinois foundation giving reached a record \$2.6 billion in 2011, up 86 percent since 2001. (Adjusted for inflation, giving rose 46 percent.) By comparison, giving by U.S. foundations overall rose a more modest 61 percent during this period (or 26 percent after inflation). The Illinois foundation community has shown annual growth in giving during the past decade in all but one year.<sup>1</sup> By comparison, total U.S. foundation giving decreased marginally in 2002 and 2003, following the meltdown in the tech sector and resulting recession, and by just over 2 percent in 2009, following the double-digit loss in foundation assets that resulted from the recent economic crisis.

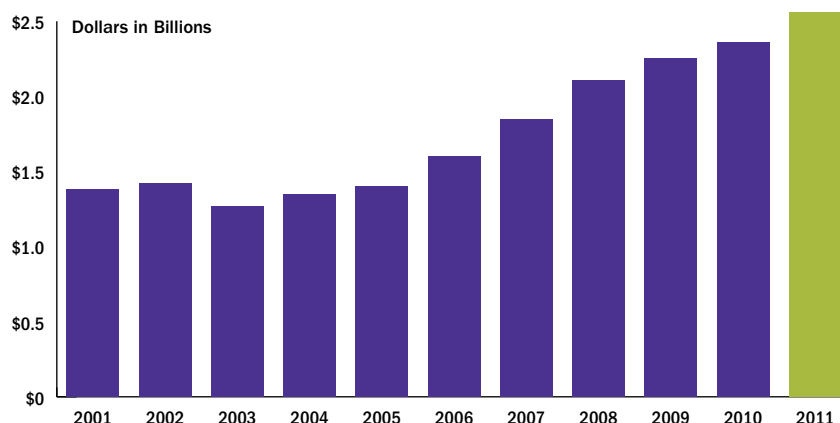
## Illinois foundation assets remain below peak level

Foundations in the state were not immune to the impact of the Great Recession. Illinois foundation assets dropped just over 16 percent in 2008, falling from a record \$29.6 billion in 2007. This reduction was on par with the 17 percent drop in foundation assets recorded nationally. Illinois foundation assets returned to marginal growth in

2009 and continued to recover in 2010 and 2011. Nonetheless, the \$28.5 billion in assets reported for 2011 remained below the peak level. The assets of Illinois foundations have also grown more slowly than the

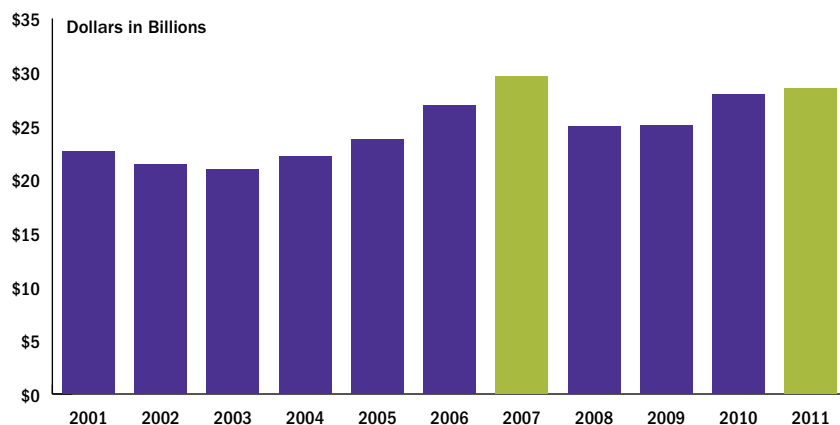
national average over the past decade (26 percent versus 42 percent). This finding largely reflects the concentration of new foundation creation and growth in areas of more rapid economic expansion, particularly the West Coast.

Illinois Foundation Giving Reached a Record \$2.6 Billion in 2011



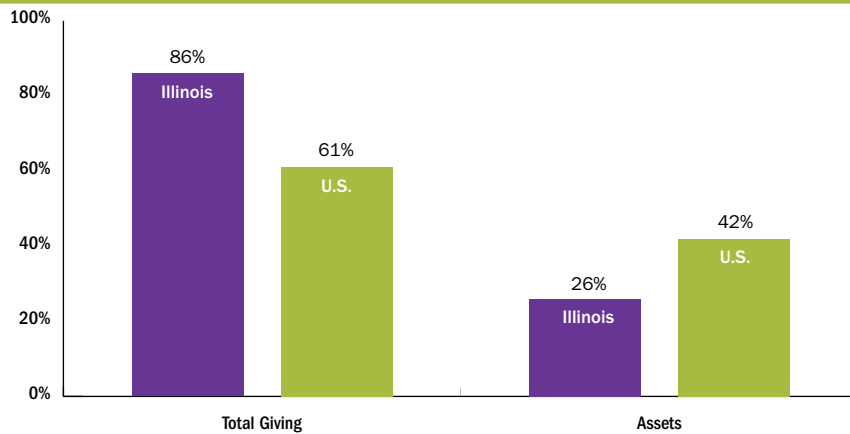
SOURCE: *Giving in Illinois*, 2013. Figures based on unadjusted dollars.

2011 Illinois Foundation Assets Remained Below Their 2007 Peak



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## Illinois Foundation Giving Grew Faster than U.S. Foundation Giving Between 2001 and 2011, While Assets Grew Less



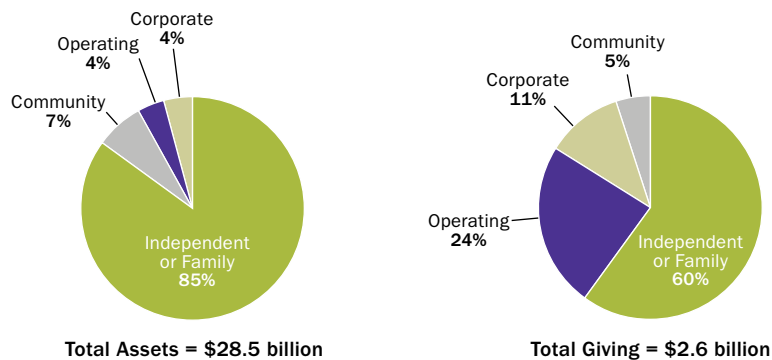
SOURCE: *Giving in Illinois*, 2013. Figures based on unadjusted dollars.

## Summary Statistics for Illinois Grantmaking Foundations by Type, 2011

Type	No. Fdns	%	Assets	%	Total Giving	%	Gifts Received	%
Independent or Family	3,809	90.3	\$24,318,789,899	85.3	\$1,532,824,549	59.8	\$737,056,491	41.9
Community	23	0.5	1,918,278,979	6.7	121,412,727	4.7	127,023,058	7.2
Operating	218	5.2	1,095,171,868	3.8	619,979,964	24.2	637,388,195	36.2
Corporate	167	4.0	1,163,784,756	4.1	287,123,239	11.2	258,305,897	14.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,217</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>\$28,496,025,502</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>\$2,561,340,479</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>\$1,759,773,641</b>	<b>100.0</b>

SOURCE: *Giving in Illinois*, 2013. Figures exclude 458 Illinois foundations that did not report grants in the latest fiscal year.

## Independents Accounted for the Majority of Illinois Foundation Giving and Assets in 2011



SOURCE: *Giving in Illinois*, 2013.

## Illinois Public Foundations

Public foundations, or grantmaking public charities, are similar to community foundations in that they both raise money from the public and serve as grantmakers. Unlike the giving of community foundations, which is typically defined by geographic areas, the giving of public foundations is typically defined by specific issue areas. The Foundation Center currently tracks about 400 Illinois public charities that indicate having a grantmaking program and accepting unsolicited proposals. Examples include the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago, which operates several scholarship programs aimed at building Jewish identity; the Robert R. McCormick Foundation, which seeks to improve social and economic environments, encourage discussion of issues affecting the nation, enhance American education, and stimulate responsible citizenship in the Chicago area; and the Chicago Foundation for Women, which raises and distributes funds to provide opportunities and promote solutions for women and girls.

## Independent and family foundations account for the majority of Illinois foundations and resources

Nine out of 10 foundations in Illinois are independent or family foundations, including the state's largest foundation by assets—the Chicago-based John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. They are also responsible for the majority of foundation giving and assets. Yet the Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation, an operating foundation based in Abbott Park, was by far the largest Illinois foundation by giving in 2011. The foundation is one of roughly a dozen operating foundations nationally created by pharmaceutical manufacturers for the purpose of distributing medications to patients with financial hardships.<sup>2</sup> Excluding this foundation, Illinois operating foundations would account for just over 1 percent of giving by grantmakers in the state.

## Illinois foundation giving is concentrated among the top 10 funders

Consistent with patterns across the country, the top 10 Illinois foundations by giving accounted for over 45 percent of 2011 grant dollars. For the top 10 by assets, the share was a smaller but still substantial 38 percent. More than half of the top foundations by giving and all of the top foundations by assets were located in Cook County.

## Illinois corporate foundations account for one in 10 grant dollars

Illinois corporate foundations reported total giving of more than \$287 million in 2011, with the Peoria-based Caterpillar Foundation at the top of the list. Corporate foundations' just over 11 percent share

of overall Illinois foundation giving was consistent with the 10.6 percent share recorded nationally. While a total of 167 Illinois corporate foundations made grants in the latest reported year, giving was extremely concentrated among the largest funders. Seventy-four percent of Illinois corporate foundation giving was provided by just the top 10 grantmakers.

## The Chicago Community Trust leads among community foundations in the state

Illinois is home to 23 grantmaking community foundations, a number surpassing most states but falling well below the counts reported in nearby Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan.<sup>3</sup> This set of Illinois foundations also accounted for a smaller share of overall giving compared to community foundations nationally (4.7 percent versus 8.8 percent). Most of these foundations are quite small, with all but seven reporting grants totaling less than \$1 million in 2011. Moreover, even among the larger Illinois community foundations, most of the resources were concentrated with a single funder—the Chicago Community Trust. In 2011, the Trust accounted for 83 percent of all community foundation assets in the state and 86 percent of community foundation giving.

## Foundations in Cook County and surrounding areas control the majority of resources

Grantmaking foundations were located in the vast majority of Illinois counties (90 out of 102), but nearly all of the giving was accounted for by funders in just 10 counties. First among these was Cook County, which alone represented 60 percent of total giving by Illinois foundations in 2011. If neighboring Lake and DuPage counties are included, the share rises to 91 percent.

### Top 10 Illinois Foundations by Total Giving, 2011

Foundation Name	City	County	Type <sup>1</sup>	Total Giving
1. Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation	Abbott Park	Lake	OP	\$594,182,250
2. John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	222,344,138
3. Chicago Community Trust	Chicago	Cook	CM	104,309,814
4. Caterpillar Foundation	Peoria	Peoria	CS	49,789,926
5. Howard G. Buffett Foundation	Decatur	Macon	IN	39,859,368
6. Illinois Tool Works Foundation	Glenview	Cook	CS	36,176,325
7. Joyce Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	33,318,991
8. Abbott Fund	Abbott Park	Lake	CS	29,545,990
9. Circle of Service Foundation	Northfield	Cook	IN	22,510,277
10. Arie and Ida Crown Memorial	Chicago	Cook	IN	21,504,111

SOURCE: *Giving in Illinois*, 2013.

<sup>1</sup> IN = Independent; CM = Community; CS = Corporate; OP = Operating.

### Top 10 Illinois Foundations by Assets, 2011

Foundation Name	City	County	Type <sup>1</sup>	Assets
1. John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	\$5,703,080,000
2. Chicago Community Trust	Chicago	Cook	CM	1,582,880,000
3. Joyce Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	760,580,322
4. Arie and Ida Crown Memorial	Chicago	Cook	IN	511,581,072
5. Circle of Service Foundation	Northfield	Cook	IN	457,902,191
6. Terra Foundation for American Art	Chicago	Cook	OP	444,761,954
7. Spencer Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	435,773,012
8. Polk Bros. Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	364,246,273
9. Pritzker Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	351,170,178
10. Irving Harris Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	238,617,889

SOURCE: *Giving in Illinois*, 2013.

<sup>1</sup> IN = Independent; CM = Community; CS = Corporate; OP = Operating.

### Top 10 Illinois Corporate Foundations by Total Giving, 2011

Foundation Name	City	County	Total Giving
1. Caterpillar Foundation	Peoria	Peoria	\$49,789,926
2. Illinois Tool Works Foundation	Glenview	Cook	36,176,325
3. Abbott Fund	Abbott Park	Lake	29,545,990
4. Allstate Foundation	Northbrook	Cook	17,521,626
5. State Farm Companies Foundation	Bloomington	McLean	16,393,065
6. Mondelez International Foundation	Northfield	Cook	15,915,101
7. Motorola Solutions Foundation	Schaumburg	Cook	15,003,084
8. Grand Victoria Foundation	Chicago	Cook	14,337,882
9. John Deere Foundation	Moline	Rock Island	13,930,897
10. Aon Foundation	Chicago	Cook	10,647,090

SOURCE: *Giving in Illinois*, 2013.

## Individual Giving

Foundations represent only one source of charitable support. Across the country, individuals provided 81 percent of private contributions, far surpassing foundations and corporations.<sup>1</sup> In Illinois, individuals gave over \$6.9 billion in 2010—almost three times the amount provided by private foundations that year.<sup>2</sup> However, if religious giving were excluded, foundations would account for a far larger share of total giving by Illinois donors.

<sup>1</sup>Giving USA Foundation, *Giving USA 2012*, ed. by M. McKittrick, Indianapolis, IN: Giving USA Foundation, 2012.

<sup>2</sup>National Center for Charitable Statistics, *Profiles of Individual Charitable Contributions by State, 2010, 2012*. [nccsdataweb.urban.org/NCCS/extracts/CharGiv\\_10.pdf](http://nccsdataweb.urban.org/NCCS/extracts/CharGiv_10.pdf)

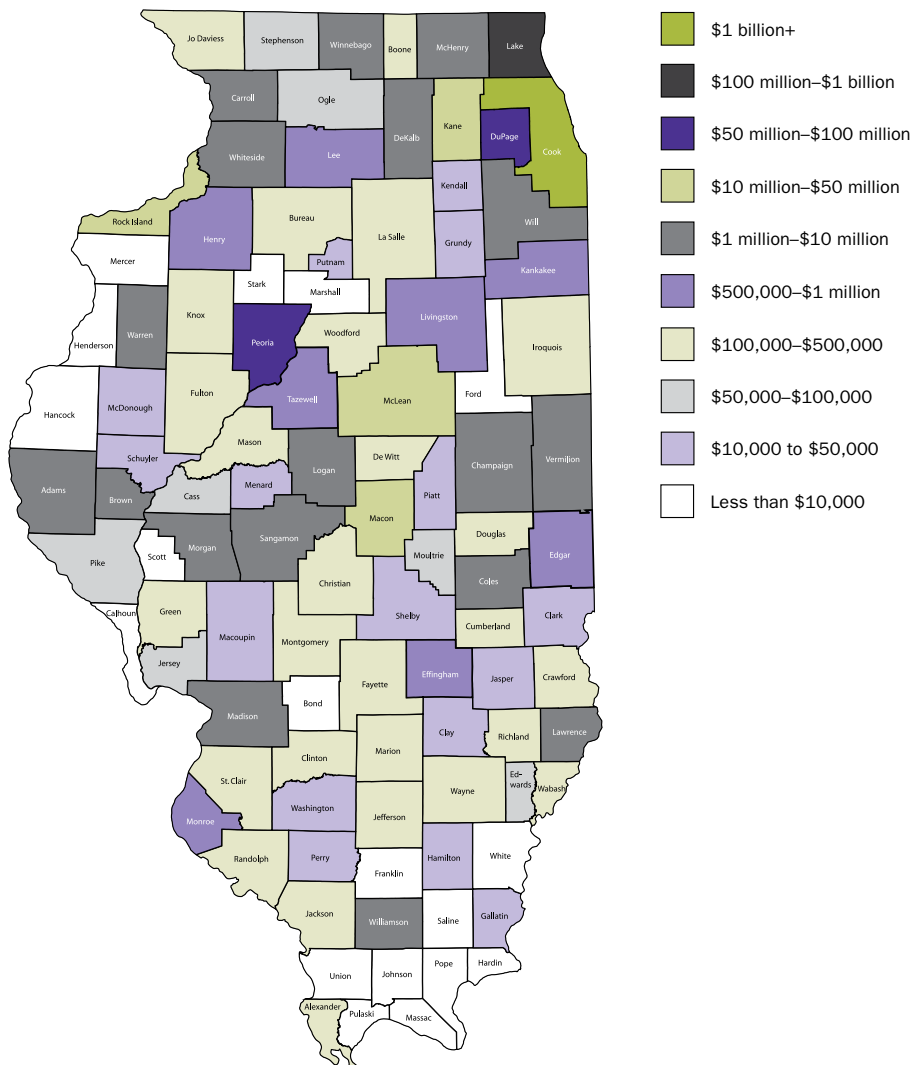


## Top 10 Illinois Community Foundations by Total Giving, 2011

Foundation Name	City	County	Total Giving
1. Chicago Community Trust	Chicago	Cook	\$104,309,814
2. Community Foundation of Fox River Valley	Aurora	Kane	3,029,746
3. Oak Park/River Forest Community Foundation	Oak Park	Cook	2,523,997
4. Community Foundation of Decatur/Macon County	Decatur	Macon	2,499,454
5. Community Foundation of Northern Illinois	Rockford	Winnebago	1,821,725
6. DuPage Community Foundation	Wheaton	Dupage	1,441,019
7. Evanston Community Foundation	Evanston	Cook	1,227,491
8. DeKalb County Community Foundation	Sycamore	Dekalb	934,784
9. Moline Foundation	Moline	Rock Island	871,390
10. Community Foundation of East Central Illinois	Champaign	Champaign	715,857

SOURCE: *Giving in Illinois*, 2013.

## Giving by Location of Illinois Foundations, 2011



SOURCE: *Giving in Illinois*, 2013.

## ENDNOTES

<sup>1</sup> In 2003, giving by Illinois foundations declined nearly 11 percent, primarily due to the Robert R. McCormick Foundation's change in status from a private foundation to a public charity.

<sup>2</sup> Land, works of art, medication, and other non-cash items that are assigned a monetary value can be counted toward a foundation's "total giving."

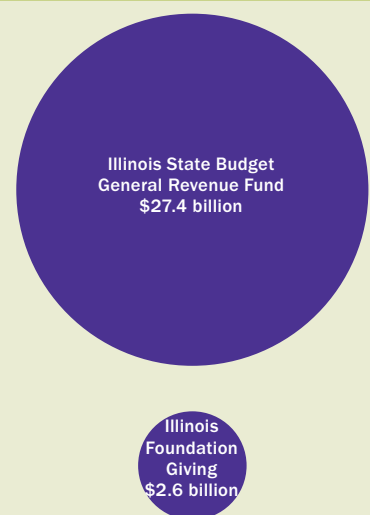
<sup>3</sup> In addition, five Illinois community foundations reported no giving in their latest fiscal year. Figures also exclude separately named "community foundations" that are legally part of other community foundations.

## Illinois State Spending Dwarfs Foundation Giving

Compared to government expenditures, foundation giving represents a small fraction of the total. For example, while Illinois foundations provided giving totaling \$2.6 billion in 2011, the Illinois state budget General Revenue Fund for fiscal year 2011 totaled over \$27.4 billion and the budget deficit for the state in 2011 was estimated at \$13 billion.<sup>1</sup> Yet, foundations are also sometimes seen as having the resources to fill government budget gaps, especially in difficult economic times. This is because the primary role of most private and community foundations is to provide funding, and the public often overestimates their charitable resources. In fact, the vast majority of private giving each year (approximately 80 percent) comes from individuals.

<sup>1</sup> See State of Illinois, *Fiscal Year 2011 Budget*, 2010, available at [state.il.us/budget/FY2011/FY2011\\_Budget\\_Briefing.pdf](http://state.il.us/budget/FY2011/FY2011_Budget_Briefing.pdf)

## 2011 Illinois Government Expenditures Dwarfed Foundation Giving



SOURCE: *Giving in Illinois*, 2013.



# The Focus of Illinois Foundation Giving

Foundations provide critical support in Illinois, with grants targeting activities ranging from the performing arts to education reform to medical research. The following analysis examines grantmaking in the state of Illinois based on giving by a sample of the nation's largest foundations. (For more details see "About the Grants Sample.")

## The majority of grants awarded by Illinois foundations stay in Illinois

The Illinois foundation community comprises local, regional, national, and international funders, and a substantial share of their giving is directed to recipients based outside of the state. Nonetheless, of the more than 6,500 grants awarded by sampled Illinois foundations in 2011, more than half (52.6 percent) targeted recipient organizations in the state.

Similarly, roughly half (49 percent) of the \$770.9 million awarded by sampled Illinois foundations supported Illinois organizations. However, if smaller Illinois foundations (which are more likely to be local funders) were included in the sample, these shares would undoubtedly be higher.

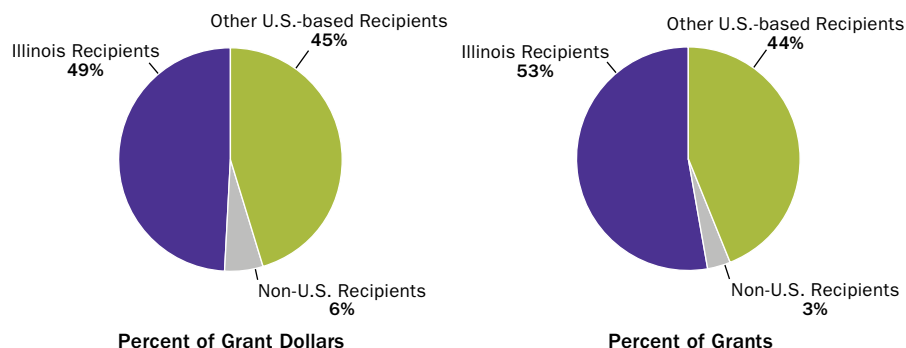
Illinois foundations provided 45.4 percent of their 2011 grant dollars to organizations based in other parts of the country. The largest shares were directed to New York (10.9 percent) and the District of Columbia (8 percent), which are home to many national and international organizations. The remaining 5.5 percent of their giving supported organizations located outside of the United States. The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation ranked as the largest Illinois-based cross-border funder in 2011.

## Illinois grantmakers account for over half of foundation support in the state

Illinois-based foundations provided 53 percent of grant dollars received by Illinois organizations in 2011; the Chicago Community Trust provided the most grant dollars among this group, awarding roughly 60 percent of the

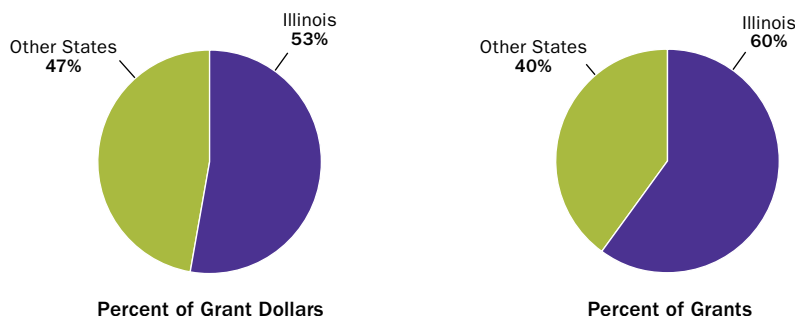
number of grants received by Illinois organizations. As noted above, the inclusion of smaller Illinois foundations in the sample would undoubtedly raise these shares. More than 350 non-Illinois foundations awarded the remaining 47 percent of grant dollars, with 2011 support totaling \$335.5 million. The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

### Majority of Illinois Foundation Grants Stay in Illinois



SOURCE: *Giving in Illinois*, 2013. Based on circa 2011 grants awarded by Illinois foundations in the sample to recipient organizations in Illinois. Includes all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a sample of 58 larger Illinois foundations.

### Illinois Grantmakers Account for Over Half of Foundation Support in Illinois



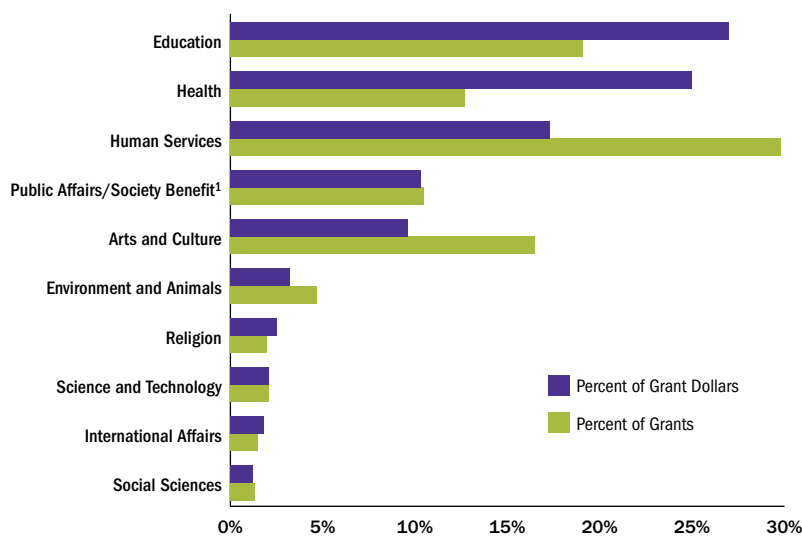
SOURCE: *Giving in Illinois*, 2013. Based on circa 2011 grants awarded by U.S. foundations in the sample to recipient organizations in Illinois. Includes all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 409 larger U.S. foundations, including 56 Illinois foundations.

## Top 10 Non-Illinois Foundations by Giving in Illinois, 2011

Foundation Name	State	Type <sup>1</sup>	Amount	%	No. Grants	%
1. Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	WA	IN	\$78,749,900	23.5	25	1.1
2. JPMorgan Chase Foundation	NY	CS	16,968,300	5.1	159	7.0
3. Wal-Mart Foundation	AR	CS	11,828,217	3.5	24	1.1
4. Buffett Early Childhood Fund	NE	IN	9,909,230	3.0	9	0.4
5. Bank of America Charitable Foundation	NC	CS	9,655,900	2.9	227	10.0
6. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	NJ	IN	7,610,322	2.3	14	0.6
7. Walton Family Foundation	AR	IN	7,189,369	2.1	25	1.1
8. Andrew W. Mellon Foundation	NY	IN	6,978,000	2.1	19	0.8
9. W.K. Kellogg Foundation	MI	IN	6,220,000	1.9	11	0.5
10. Beatrice P. Delany Charitable Trust	DE	IN	5,955,000	1.8	116	5.1
<b>Top 10 Subtotal</b>			<b>\$161,064,238</b>	<b>48.0</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>27.8</b>
<b>Total Non-Illinois Foundations</b>			<b>\$335,514,803</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,262</b>	<b>100.0</b>

SOURCE: *Giving in Illinois*, 2013. Based on all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 1,122 larger U.S. foundations.  
<sup>1</sup>IN = Independent; CS = Corporate.

## Education, Health, and Human Services Are Top Foundation Priorities in Illinois



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<sup>1</sup>Includes civil rights and social action, community improvement and development, philanthropy and voluntarism, and public affairs

## About the Grants Sample

This analysis is based on the Foundation Center's 2011 grants sample, which includes all of grants of \$10,000 or more reported by 1,122 of the largest U.S. independent, family, corporate, community, and grantmaking operating foundations. For community foundations, the set includes only discretionary grants and donor-advised grants (when provided by the funder). The sample also excludes grants to individuals.

This sample accounts for approximately half of giving by all of the more than 82,000 active U.S. grantmaking foundations. Included in the sample are 58 Illinois foundations with giving totaling \$770.9 million, of which 56 made grants to recipients in Illinois in 2011. Grant amounts may represent the full authorized amount of the grant or the amount paid in that year, depending upon the information made available by each foundation.

Grant records included in the sample were reported to the Center between November 2011 and October 2012. The majority of foundations are represented with 2011 grants data. However, some foundations are represented with 2010 grants data if more current data was not available in time for inclusion in the set.

ranked first among all funders in grant dollars awarded to Illinois with \$78.7 million. An eight-year, \$50 million grant to the Rotary Foundation for global polio eradication accounted for over 60 percent of this giving, with the remainder focused primarily on health and education. By comparison, the Bank of America Charitable Foundation reported the most grants awarded in Illinois in 2011 compared to any non-Illinois foundation (227).

## Top 25 funders in Illinois provide more than half of grant dollars

The largest grantmakers for each state generally account for the majority of giving, and Illinois was no exception. In 2011, the 25 largest funders of organizations in the state accounted for about 56 percent of overall grant dollars. This group included 19 Illinois-based foundations. Nonetheless, giving for Illinois recipients was far less concentrated among the largest funders compared to neighboring states. For example, the 25 largest funders of Wisconsin recipients in 2011 accounted for almost 83 percent of grant dollars, while the top 25 funders of recipients in Indiana provided more than 84 percent of overall foundation support.

## Education and health represent top funding priorities in Illinois

Foundations provided more than half of their 2011 giving in Illinois for education (27 percent) and health (25 percent). Within education, grantmakers allocated the biggest shares of their funding for elementary and secondary education, followed by higher education. The largest education grant reported was a \$13.3 million

general support award from the Illinois-based Cuneo Foundation to Loyola University of Chicago. If giving by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation were excluded from this analysis, human services would have surpassed health, capturing the second largest share of grant dollars.

Despite the large share of grant dollars targeting education in 2011, a substantially greater share of the number of foundation grants awarded to Illinois recipients supported human services (29.8 percent versus 19.1 percent for education). Human services grants tend to be smaller on average than in most other areas of foundation activity.

Finally, compared to U.S. foundation funding overall, Illinois recipients benefited from a notably larger share of funding for human services in 2011 (17.3 percent versus 14.2 percent). In contrast, foundation giving in Illinois was notably less likely to fund the environment and animals, health, or international affairs.

## Illinois educational institutions benefit from largest share of foundation support

Roughly 33 percent of foundation grant dollars awarded in Illinois in 2011 funded educational institutions.

A majority of this giving targeted colleges and universities, which are home to research and other activities in fields ranging from the humanities to the sciences to the arts. The University of Chicago led all Illinois educational recipients in 2011 with 162 grants totaling \$39 million. Similar to trends by grant purpose, Illinois human services agencies captured the second largest share of grant dollars (15.3 percent), followed by community improvement organizations (11.1 percent).

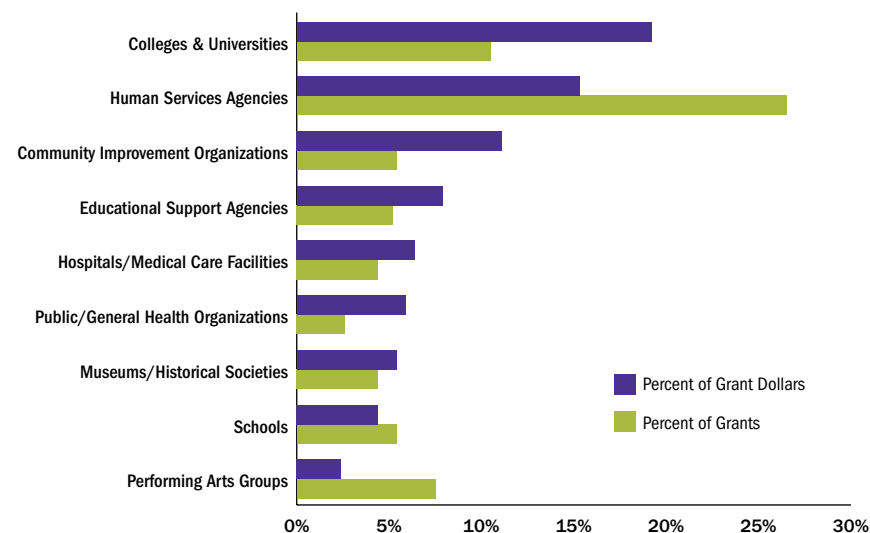
## Foundation Giving in Illinois by Subject, 2011

Subject	Amount	%	No. Grants	%
<b>Arts and Culture</b>				
Policy, Management, and Information <sup>1</sup>	\$352,500	0.0	7	0.1
Arts-Multipurpose	2,711,037	0.4	64	1.1
Media and Communications	6,563,975	0.9	74	1.3
Visual Arts/Architecture	1,016,153	0.1	29	0.5
Museums	32,900,520	4.6	197	3.4
Performing Arts	20,817,460	2.9	500	8.8
Humanities	2,627,000	0.4	34	0.6
Historic Preservation	1,267,458	0.2	27	0.5
Other	338,000	0.0	9	0.2
<b>Total Arts and Culture</b>	<b>\$68,594,103</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>16.5</b>
<b>Education</b>				
Policy, Management, and Information <sup>1</sup>	\$513,000	0.1	3	0.1
Elementary and Secondary	77,269,898	10.8	434	7.6
Vocational and Technical	358,000	0.1	12	0.2
Higher Education	74,782,401	10.5	335	5.9
Graduate and Professional	11,908,977	1.7	94	1.6
Adult and Continuing	3,924,000	0.5	19	0.3
Library Science/Libraries	7,753,585	1.1	40	0.7
Student Services	8,814,942	1.2	50	0.9
Educational Services	7,764,294	1.1	103	1.8
<b>Total Education</b>	<b>\$193,089,097</b>	<b>27.0</b>	<b>1,090</b>	<b>19.1</b>
<b>Environment and Animals</b>				
Environment	\$17,861,767	2.5	208	3.6
Animals and Wildlife	5,031,334	0.7	60	1.1
<b>Total Environment and Animals</b>	<b>\$22,893,101</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>4.7</b>
<b>Health</b>				
General and Rehabilitative				
Policy, Management, and Information <sup>1</sup>	\$3,490,651	0.5	28	0.5
Hospitals and Medical Care	66,915,601	9.4	238	4.2
Reproductive Health Care	1,743,968	0.2	32	0.6
Public Health	5,307,262	0.7	69	1.2
Other	3,338,134	0.5	27	0.5
Specific Disease	17,905,807	2.5	136	2.4
Medical Research	75,967,129	10.6	90	1.6
Mental Health	4,126,543	0.6	103	1.8
<b>Total Health</b>	<b>\$178,795,095</b>	<b>25.0</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>12.7</b>
<b>Human Services</b>				
Crime, Justice, and Legal Services	\$14,561,398	2.0	142	2.5
Employment	8,053,848	1.1	128	2.2
Food, Nutrition, and Agriculture	22,633,690	3.2	126	2.2
Housing and Shelter	11,469,559	1.6	197	3.4
Safety and Disaster	1,982,437	0.3	32	0.6
Recreation and Sports	2,118,000	0.3	55	1.0
Youth Development	7,529,331	1.1	178	3.1
Human Services-Multipurpose	54,844,373	7.7	845	14.8
<b>Total Human Services</b>	<b>\$123,192,636</b>	<b>17.3</b>	<b>1,703</b>	<b>29.8</b>
<b>International Affairs</b>	<b>\$12,998,411</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>1.5</b>
<b>Public Affairs/Society Benefit</b>				
Civil Rights and Social Action	\$6,971,200	1.0	102	1.8
Community Improvement and Development	18,836,425	2.6	256	4.5
Philanthropy and Voluntarism	33,505,696	4.7	120	2.1
Public Affairs	13,982,107	2.0	120	2.1
<b>Total Public Affairs/Society Benefit</b>	<b>\$73,295,428</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>10.5</b>
<b>Science and Technology</b>				
Policy, Management, and Information <sup>1</sup>	\$675,000	0.1	4	0.1
General Science	6,174,012	0.9	68	1.2
Physical Science	5,842,455	0.8	24	0.4
Technology	1,585,550	0.2	20	0.4
Life Science	700,460	0.1	6	0.1
<b>Total Science and Technology</b>	<b>\$14,977,477</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>2.1</b>
<b>Social Sciences</b>				
Social Science and Economics	\$5,824,038	0.8	54	0.9
Interdisciplinary/Other	2,661,624	0.4	18	0.3
<b>Total Social Sciences</b>	<b>\$8,485,662</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>1.3</b>
<b>Religion</b>	<b>\$17,508,694</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>2.0</b>
<b>Total Grants</b>	<b>\$713,829,704</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>5,713</b>	<b>100.0</b>

SOURCE: *Giving in Illinois*, 2013. Based on all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 409 larger U.S. foundations, including 56 Illinois foundations.

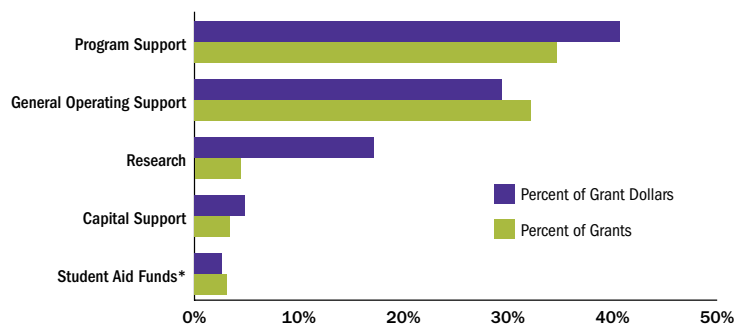
<sup>1</sup>Includes a broad range of supporting activities or organizations identified by 18 "common codes."

## Higher Education Institutions and Human Services Agencies Top Foundation Giving Priorities in Illinois



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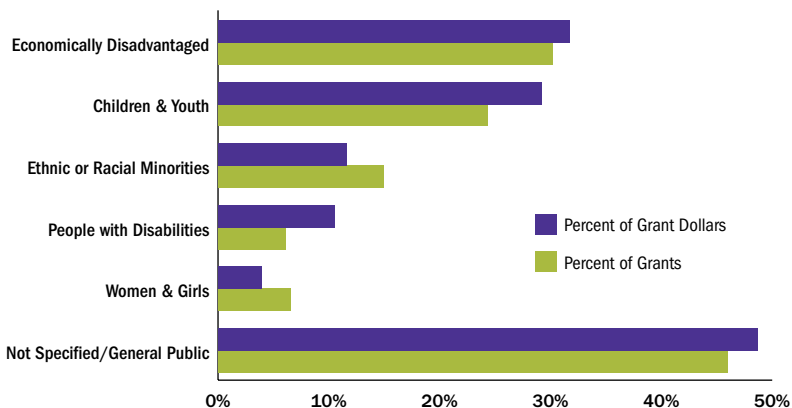
## Program and Operating Support Dominate Giving by Foundations in Illinois



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\*Includes grants to organizations for student aid and not grants to individuals.

## People with Low Incomes, Children and Youth Are Most Likely to Benefit from Targeted Foundation Giving in Illinois



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## Illinois funders' giving for general operating support matches national share

Similar to national trends, the largest share of foundation funding in Illinois provided support for specific programs and projects. Program support accounted for 40.7 percent of overall grant dollars in 2011. General operating support accounted for the second largest share of funding—29.4 percent—consistent with the 28.6 percent share reported nationally. In contrast, foundations directed less than a quarter of the share of giving for capital projects in Illinois (4.8 percent) compared to the share they provided nationally (21.2 percent). This difference reflects factors such as Illinois having more mature cultural and medical institutions, which are not seeking capital support at this stage of their life cycle to build and expand facilities, or there being fewer educational or other institutions in the state currently undertaking major endowment campaigns.

## Economically disadvantaged and children and youth most likely to benefit from designated funding among Illinois population groups

Roughly half of 2011 grant dollars awarded in Illinois could be coded as providing an explicit benefit for at least one specific population group. (The balance of grants either lacked sufficient information to determine the funders' intent or were intended to benefit the general public.) Overall, close to one-third (31.7 percent) of foundation grants to Illinois recipients could be identified as providing a benefit for people who are economically disadvantaged, followed by children and youth (29.2 percent). Among the largest grants awarded for people who are economically disadvantaged were a \$6 million grant from the Wal-Mart



Foundation to Feeding America and a \$3 million grant from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation to the Chicago Charter School Foundation to renovate the new ChicagoQuest school. Ethnic or racial minorities were the explicit focus of 11.6 percent of Illinois foundation grant dollars in 2011. By comparison, a notably smaller 8.9 percent of foundation giving nationally could be coded as specifically benefiting ethnic or racial minorities.<sup>1</sup> Among the largest grants tracked in 2011 for the benefit of ethnic or racial minorities in Illinois was the New York-based Ford Foundation's \$1 million award to National People's Action to support its mission to advance racial and economic justice.

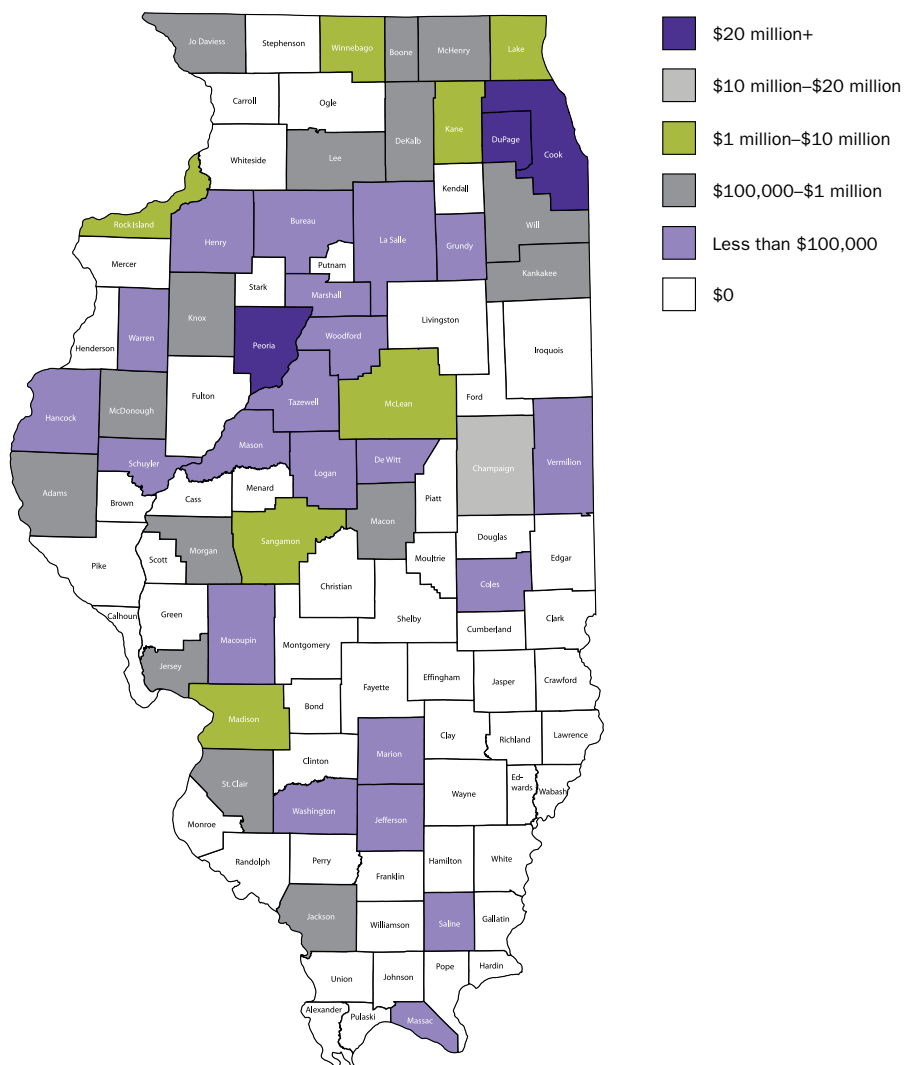
## Cook County garners largest share of foundation support

Given the concentration of educational, human services, arts, and other organizations in Chicago, it comes as no surprise that Cook County benefited from the single largest share of Illinois foundation funding in 2011. Overall, recipients in Cook County benefited from 84.7 percent of grant dollars awarded to recipients in the state and 84.1 percent of the number of grants. Following Cook County was Peoria County, where Peoria-based Caterpillar Foundation provided more than half of grant dollars awarded. Foundations also provided substantial resources to other regions of the state, with an additional nine counties reporting foundation grants totaling \$1 million or more in 2011.

## ENDNOTE

<sup>1</sup> Figures on funding for ethnic and/or racial minorities are based on self-reporting by foundations and the stated missions of recipient organizations. As a result, these figures capture only a fraction of overall foundation support benefiting these populations.

## Foundation Giving to Illinois Recipients by County, 2011



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# The Outlook for Foundation Giving

Overall U.S. foundation giving grew by nearly 4 percent in 2012 according to the Foundation Center, or 1.6 percent after inflation. While comparable estimates are not available at the state level, the above-average growth in Illinois foundation giving over the past decade (noted earlier in this report) suggests that the state's foundations will at a minimum have kept pace with this overall increase.

Strong growth in giving by new foundations was the main factor propelling U.S. foundation grantmaking to a record \$50.8 billion in 2012. A robust rise in giving by community foundations also contributed to the increase. In contrast, total corporate foundation giving dipped slightly.

Double-digit stock market growth in 2012 helped to boost foundation assets and should contribute to an even greater increase in foundation giving in 2013. However, respondents

to the Foundation Center's annual "Foundation Giving Forecast Survey" appear to remain cautious in their outlook. Based on their projections, the Foundation Center presently estimates that overall foundation giving will increase by about 2 percent this year.

But numerous factors could influence actual foundation giving in 2013. On the positive side, the turnaround in the U.S. housing market continues to gain strength, employment figures have shown improvement, and the

stock market has reached record highs. In contrast, much of Europe has moved back into recession and the debt crisis there continues, while in the United States the end of the social security tax holiday and the Bush-era tax cuts for the wealthy, along with the impact of "sequestration"-related automatic spending cuts, may limit economic growth. In this still volatile environment, growth in foundation giving this year is certain, but the scale of this growth remains unclear.



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